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NEWS OF TENNESSEE SCIENCE

News-worthy items suitable for this column should be addressed to the News Editor, Dr. Carl Tabb Bahner, Carson-Newman College, Jefferson City.

The Ninth Annual Research Conference sponsored by the Biology Division of the Oak Ridge National Laboratory will be held on April 12, 13, and 14, 1956, in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, at Mountain View Hotel. This conference, supported by the Atomic Energy Commission, will consist of invited papers and open discussions of a nonrestricted nature on the general topic of Biocolloids.

Dr. Guy Forman, Associate Professor of Physics at Vanderbilt University, has been granted leave from teaching during the winter term in order to be of service to high school science teachers in Tennessee. He will be available for consultation, for talks before science clubs and classes, and for rendering assistance in the promotion of science fairs.

Eastman Kodak and its subsidiaries, including Tennessee Eastman Company, have announced the addition to its aid-to-education program of a plan believed to be a new approach in educational assistance by an industrial company. The new plan is based largely on three facts: first, that the training and ability of college graduates who have come to the company have contributed greatly to Kodak's progress; second, that colleges and universities have incurred substantial deficits in the education of their students; and third, that the American system of higher education is increasingly in need of financial help—particularly privately supported institutions that do not receive public funds. Under the Kodak grant plan, which goes into effect this year, privately supported institutions will receive grants based upon the number of their graduates who joined the company during the fifth year preceding the year in which the grants are made and who are currently employed by the company. The cost of the company's over-all-aid-to-education program including the new plan, will total approximately \$650,000 this year and will benefit over 100 educational institutions and organizations.

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